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# FEMA Region 6 Weather Threat Briefing

Monday, August 6, 2018

**Disclaimer:** The purpose of this briefing is to provide a <u>Regional</u> weather threat assessment and is meant as a general overview. County/Parish decision makers should consult their local NWS forecast offices for the latest detailed, local weather information.

To find your local NWS forecast office, go to <u>www.weather.gov/srh</u>.

### Key Points



#### Today (Monday)

• Scattered showers and thunderstorms with the potential for heavy rain/flash flooding across extreme NE NM.

#### Tuesday through Friday

- Scattered showers and thunderstorms with the potential for heavy rain/flash flooding across portions of NE NM, NE OK, and NAR are possible on Tuesday.
- Scattered showers and thunderstorms with the potential for heavy rain/flash flooding are possible across NTX, SW AR, and S OK on Wednesday/Thursday and for NTX and N LA into Friday.

#### **Tropical Outlook**

No tropical cyclones are expected during the next five days.

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# FEMA Region 6 Threat Matrix

Aug 6, 2018 - Aug 10, 2018



| DAY / THREAT                   | MON   | TUE                      | WED               | THU       | FRI       |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Severe Storms                  |       |                          |                   |           |           |
| Heavy Rain /<br>Flash Flooding | NE NM | NE NM, NE OK, & NW<br>AR | NTX, SWAR, & S OK | S OK, NTX | NTX, N LA |
| Excessive Heat                 |       |                          |                   |           |           |
| Fire Weather                   |       |                          |                   |           |           |
| Tropical Weather               |       |                          |                   |           |           |



\*Threat levels are based on FEMA Region 6 criteria.

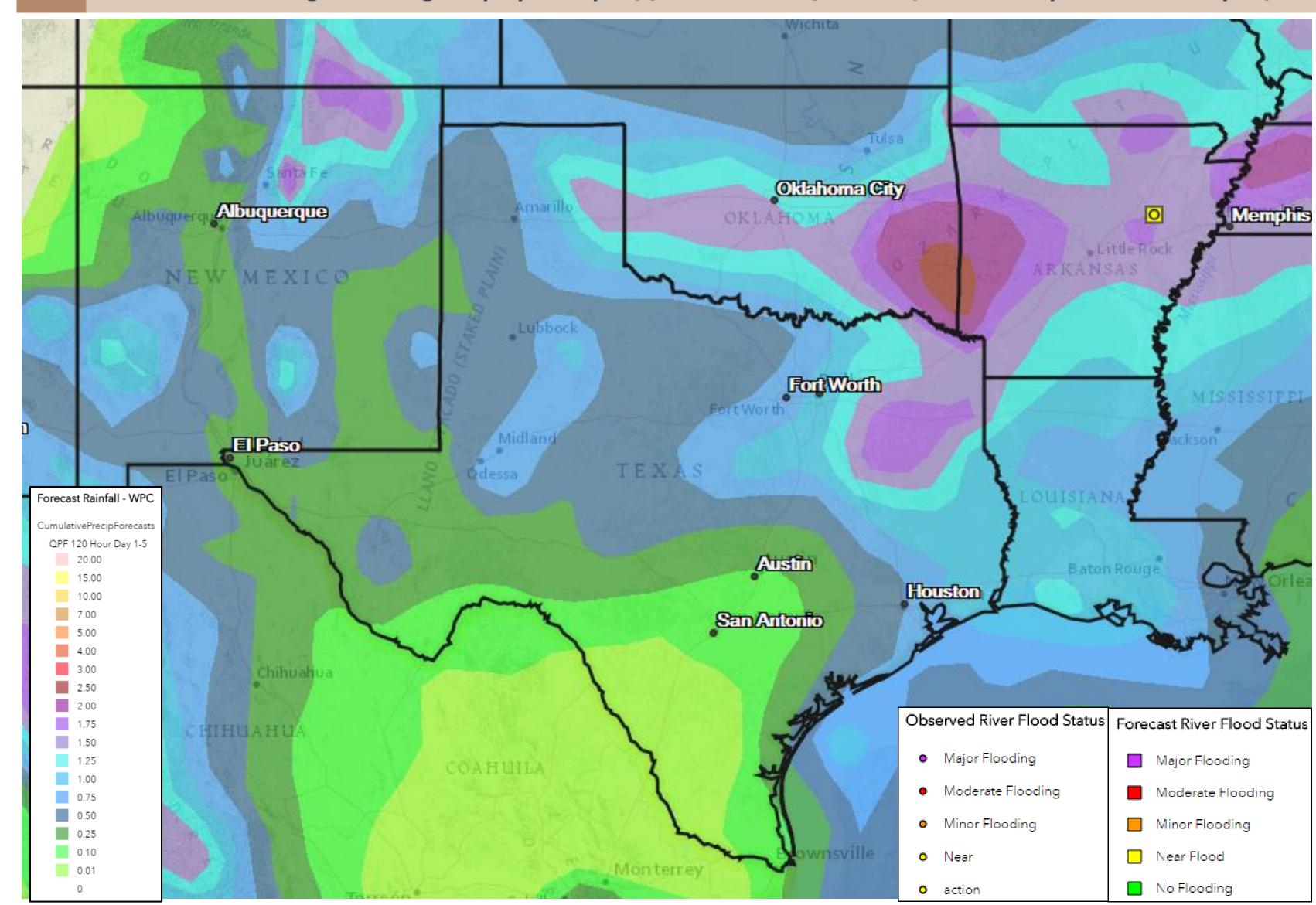
State or local threat level criteria may differ.\*

For more details on the colors in the threat matrix refer to the last slide in this briefing.

#### 5-Day Precipitation Forecast & River Flood Status

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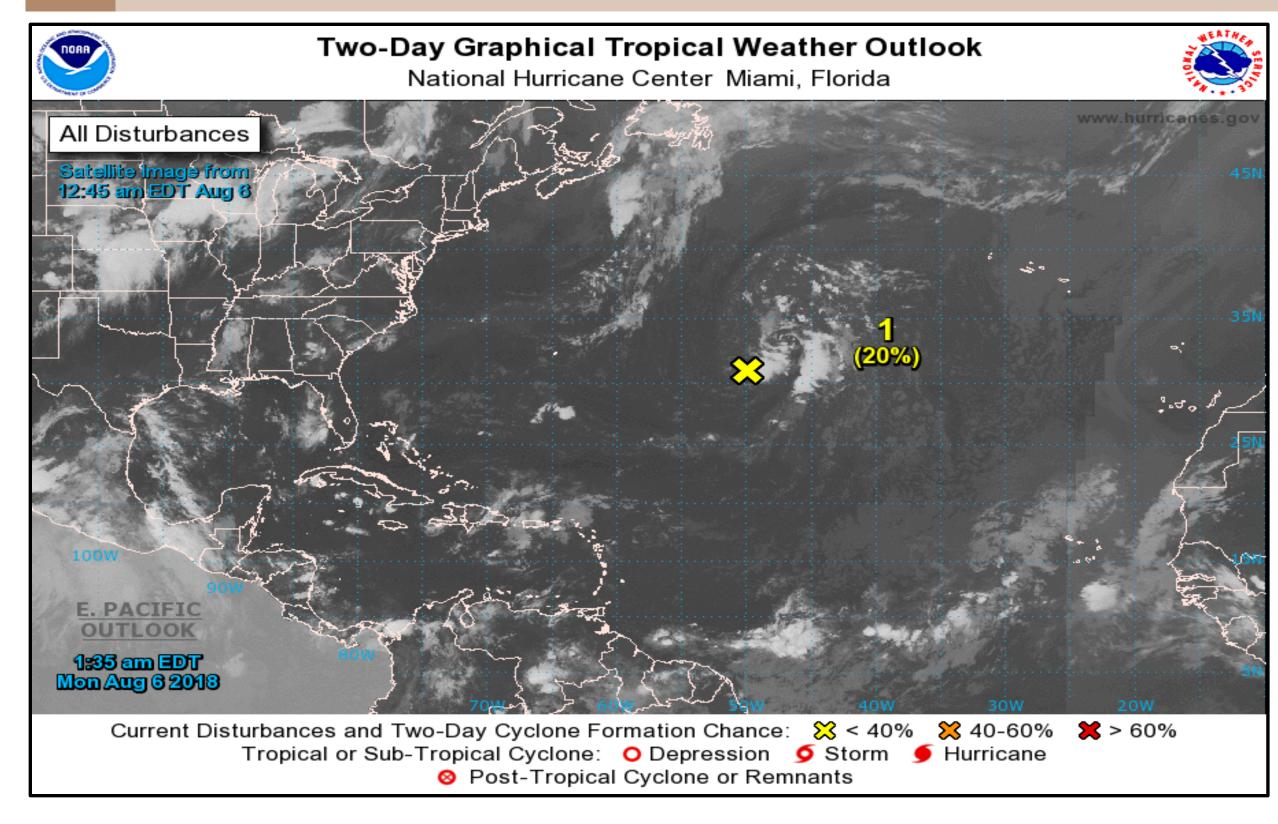
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Widespread river flooding is not expected.

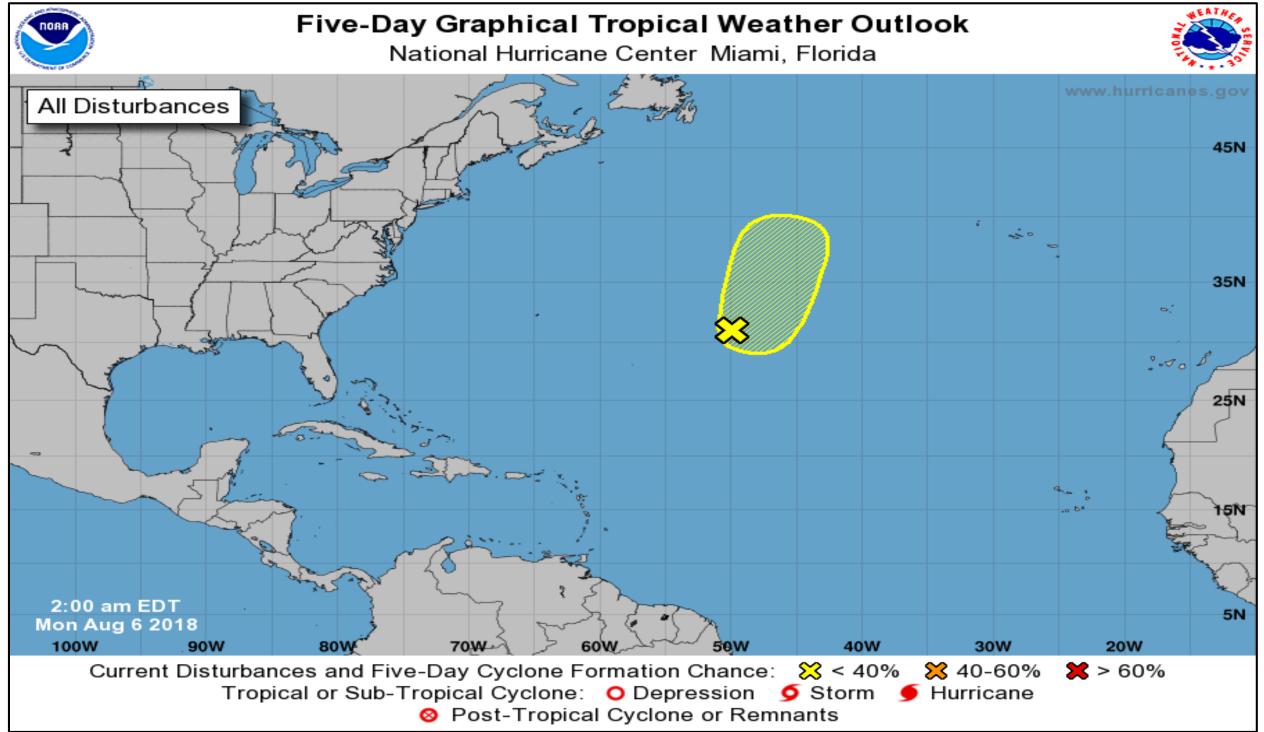
#### Tropical Weather Outlook – Atlantic/Gulf



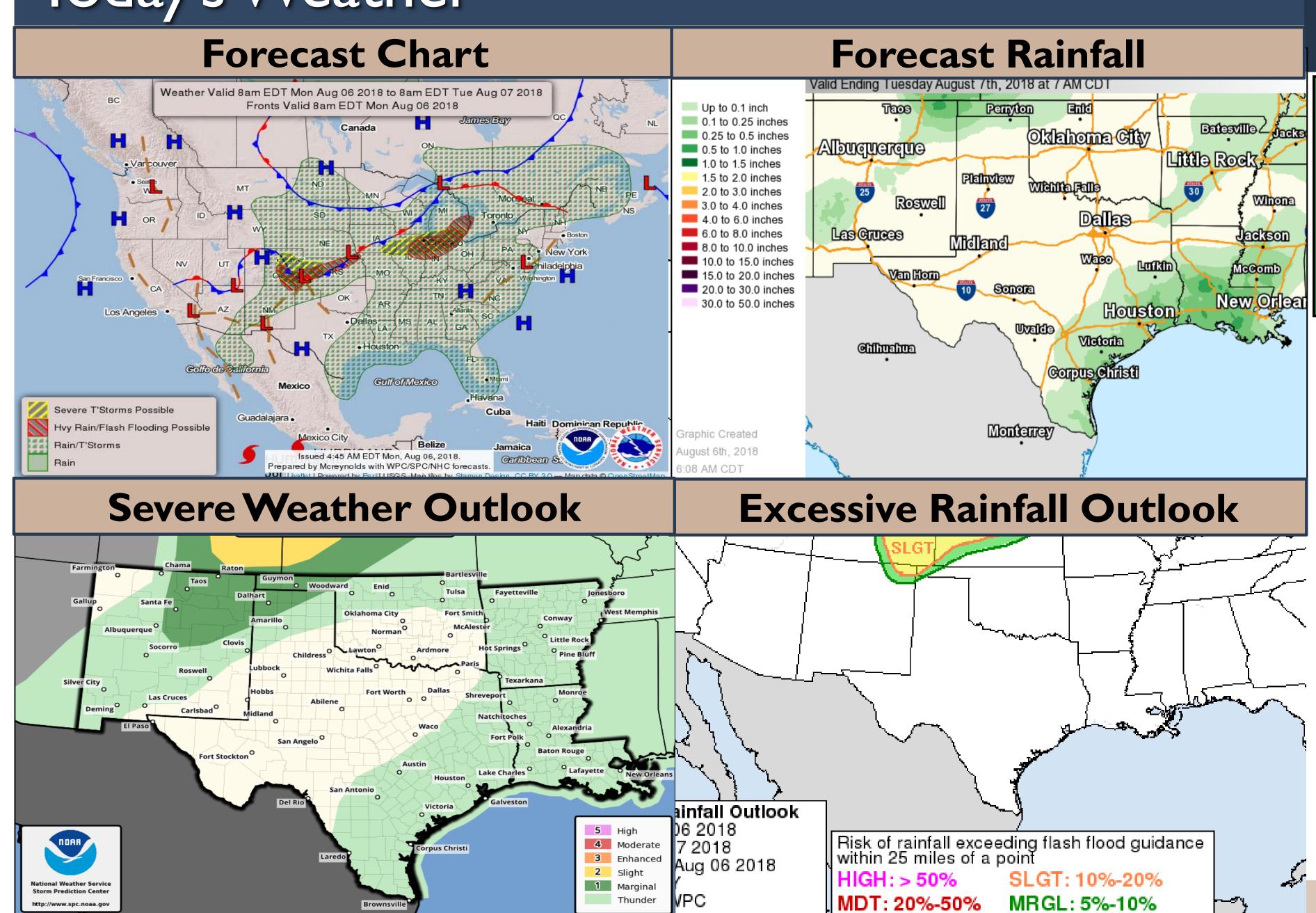


Formation chance -- 48 hours -- low..20% Formation chance -- 5 days -- low..20%

No impacts to East Coast.



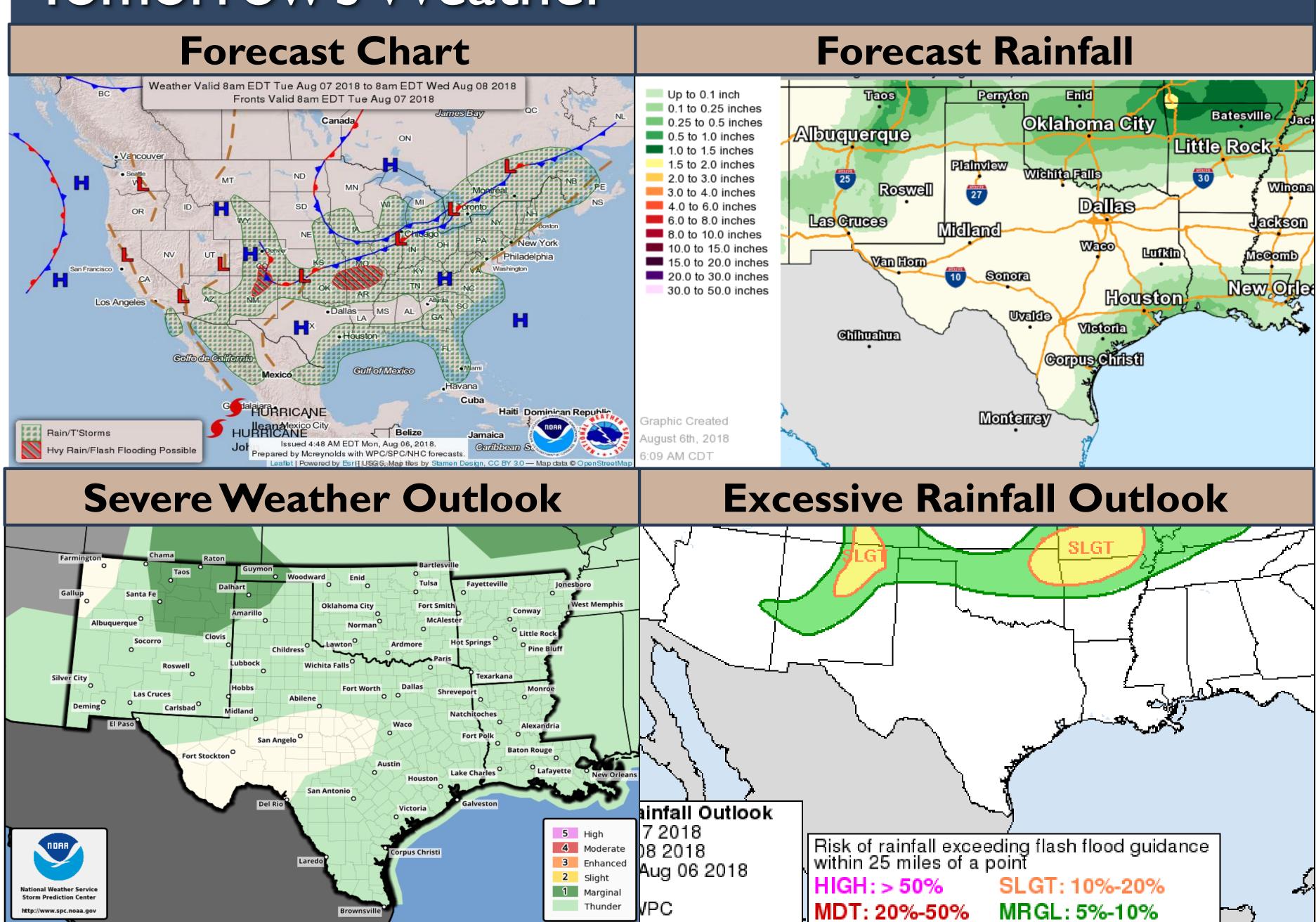
# Today's Weather





Isolated flash
flooding/heavy rain
possible over extreme NE
NM

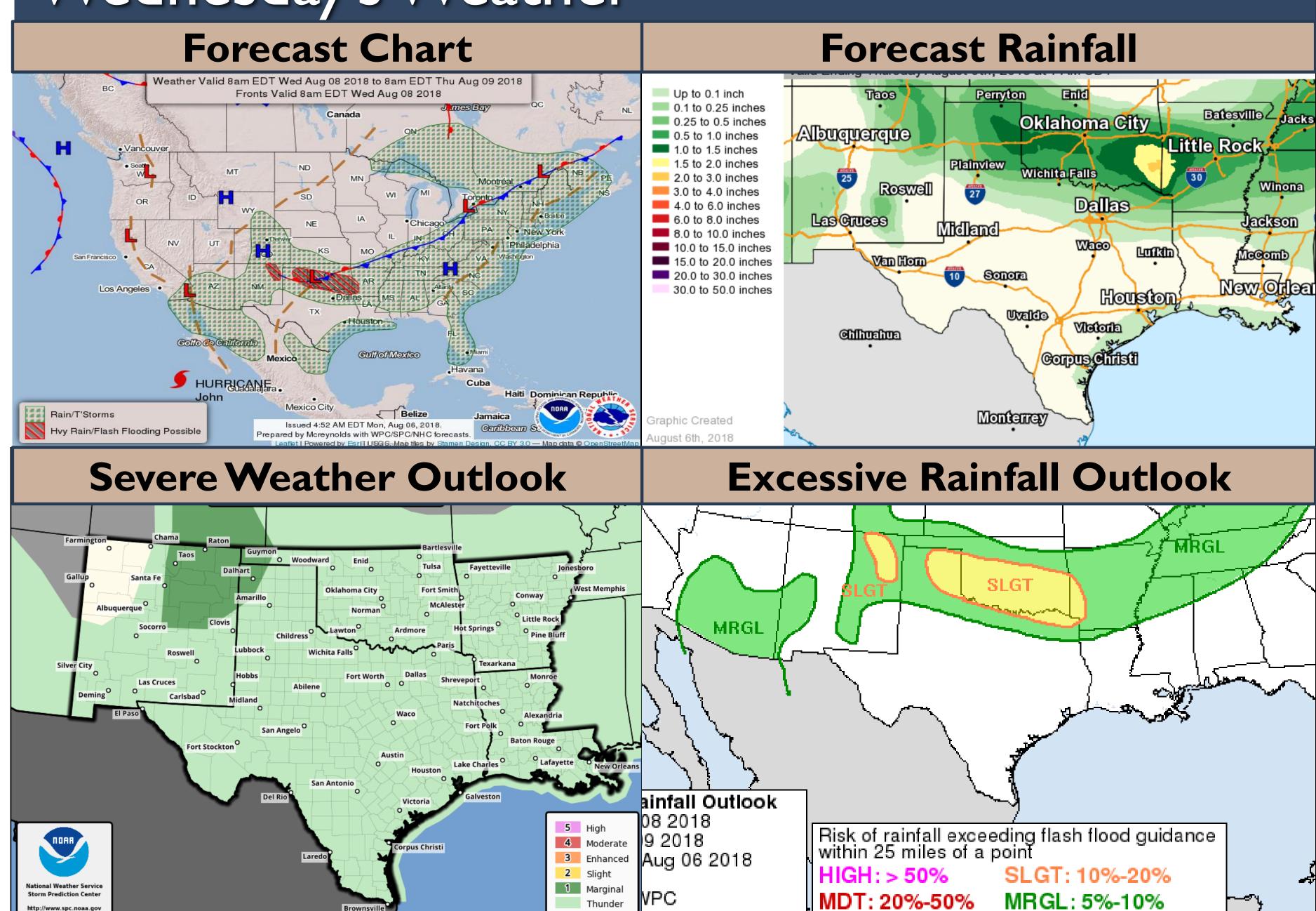
#### Tomorrow's Weather





Scattered showers and thunderstorms with the potential for heavy rain/flash flooding across portions of NE NM, NE OK, and NAR

## Wednesday's Weather



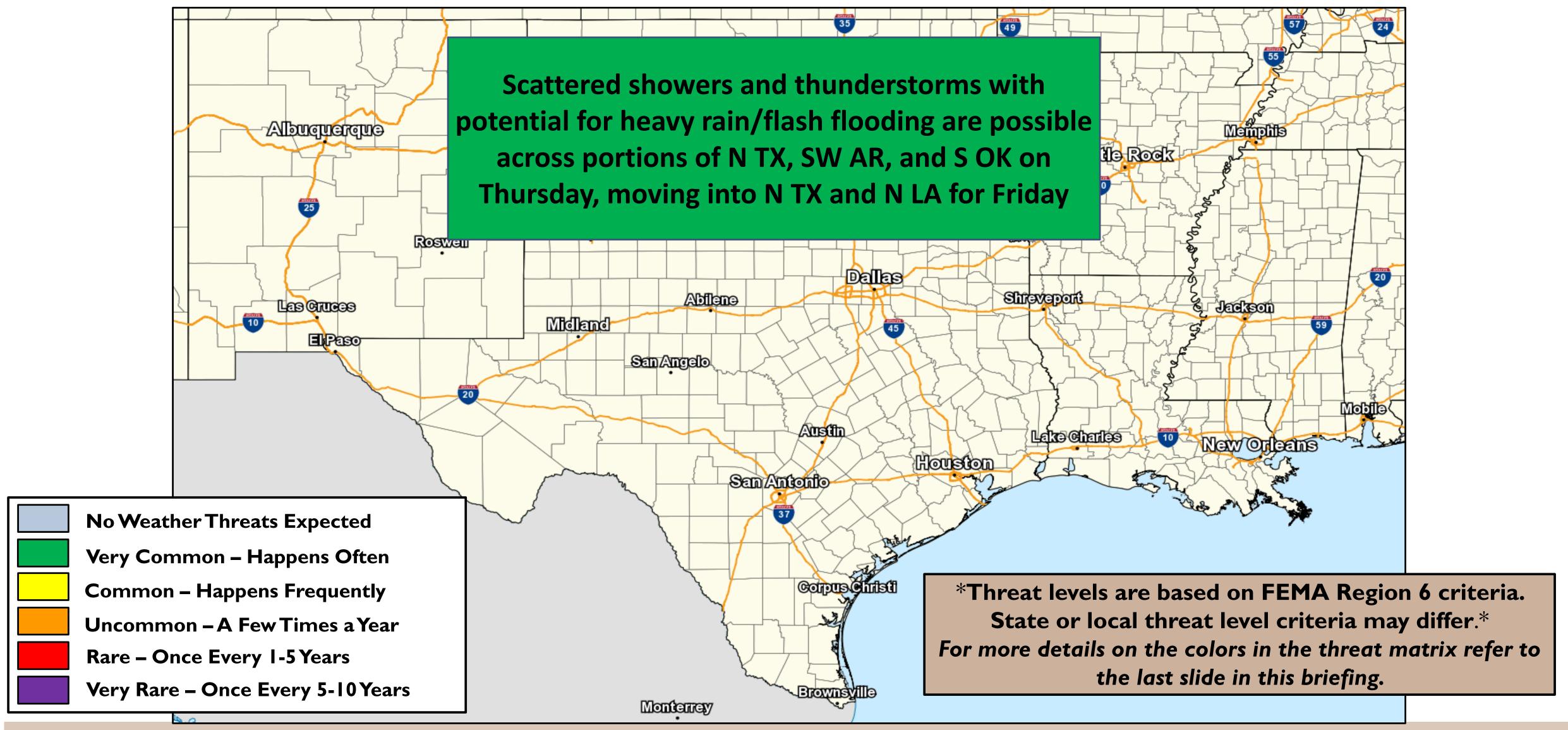


Scattered showers and thunderstorms with the potential for heavy rain/flash flooding are possible across NTX, SW AR, and S OK

## Days 4-5 Weather Hazards

#### Thursday-Friday

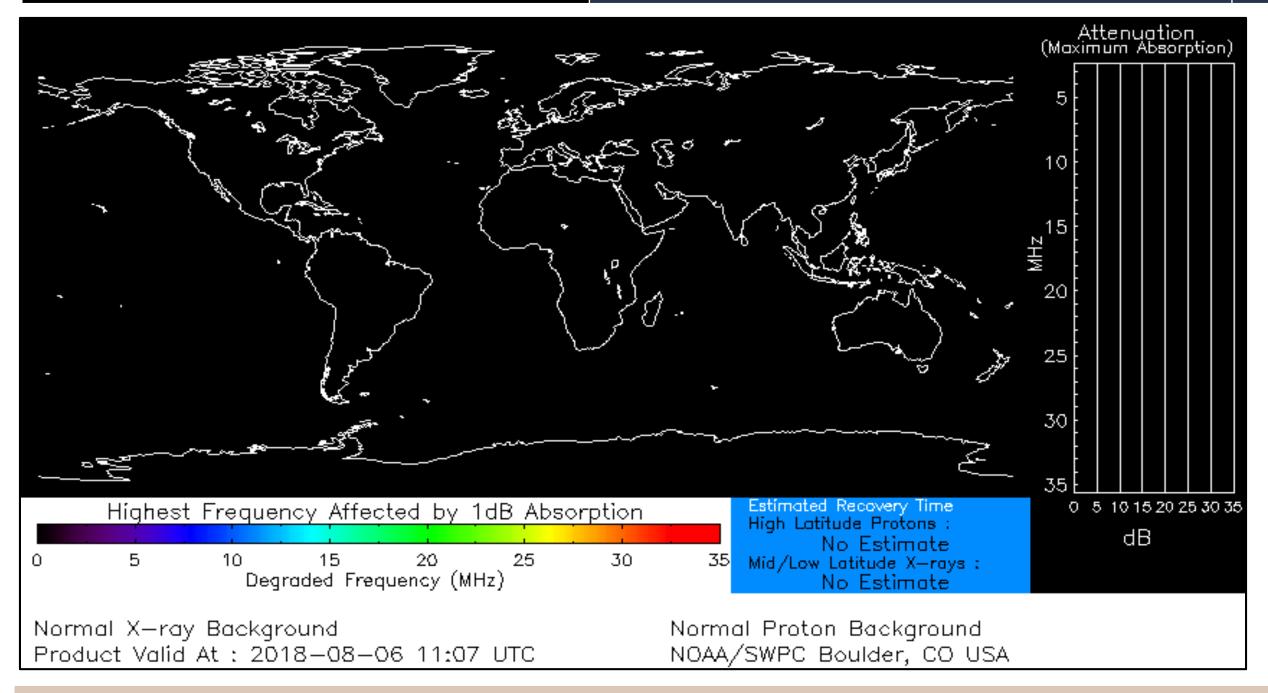




# Space Weather 3-Day Forecast



|                               | Monday                    | Tuesday                   | Wednesday                 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Geomagnetic Storms            | Unsettled<br>(Max Kp = 2) | Unsettled<br>(Max Kp = 4) | Unsettled<br>(Max Kp = 3) |
| Solar Radiation Storm (SI-S5) | <b>1%</b>                 | 1%                        | 1%                        |
| Radio Blackout (RI-R2)        | 1%                        | 1%                        | <b>1%</b>                 |
| Radio Blackout (R3-R5)        | 1%                        | 1%                        | 1%                        |



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Description of the Space

Weather Storm Scales

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3-Day Space Weather

Forecast Text





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|        | Weather "Threat" Matrix  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Color  | Definition   | Criteria   | Example(s)   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Green  | Very Common Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Little Inconvenience to Daily Routines  | Severe: Marginal Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over localized areas Tropical: None Fire Weather: No Watches/Warnings, fuel moisture above 10% or green up active   | <ul> <li>Thunderstorms expected over LA this afternoon; a few may produce winds to knock down a few trees</li> <li>Something that happens almost every day in a particular season such as seabreeze storms in coastal TX</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yellow | Somewhat Common — Happens Frequently Safety: Rarely a Direct Threat to Life and Property Impact Potential: Typically Results in Some Inconvenience to Daily Life   | Severe: Slight Risk from SPC Flooding: Nuisance flooded expected for a widespread area, or Minor flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A weak tropical wave expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire Weather: Red Flag Watches/Warnings and/or SPC outlines enhanced or critical fire outlook   | <ul> <li>2-3 inches of rainfall expected over central AR today and tonight; some minor (brief) street flooding possible</li> <li>Scattered severe storms possible, one or two tornadoes expected, along with reports of strong winds/wind damage and ~1" hail</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Orange | Uncommon — A Few Times a Year  Safety: Often Threatening to Life and Property, Some  Damage Unavoidable  Impact Potential: Typically Results in Minor Disruption to  Daily Life                                    | Severe: Enhanced Risk from SPC Flooding: Minor flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations), or Moderate flooding expected over isolated areas Tropical: A Tropical Storm expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Critical fire outlook for more than 2 consecutive days, Warnings for 2 or more consecutive days, D3-D4 drought conditions | <ul> <li>A snow/sleet mix is expected to move through or near the DFW area tomorrow morning; travel impacts likely</li> <li>Numerous severe storms possible, a few tornadoes possible along with several reports of wind damage along with damaging hail</li> <li>Some large fires reported, burn bans advertised, critical conditions expected</li> </ul> |  |  |  |  |  |
| Red    | Rare — Once every 1-5 Years Safety: Extensive Property Damage Likely, Life Saving Actions Also will be Needed Impact Potential: Will likely result in Large Disruption to Daily Life                               | Severe: Moderate Risk from SPC Flooding: Moderate flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Hurricane expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large areas of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Severe to extreme drought  | <ul> <li>A Category 1 hurricane will be moving towards the NW Gulf in the next few days</li> <li>Widespread severe storms likely, strong tornadoes, widespread wind damage, and destructive hail</li> <li>Large fires ongoing throughout the area with critical fire weather conditions expected to continue</li> </ul>                                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Purple | Very Rare – Once Every 5-10 Years  Safety: Property Damage Unavoidable, Immediate Action to Save Life will be Needed  Impact Potential: Typically Results in Long-Lived  Widespread Major Disruption to Daily Life | Severe: High Risk from SPC Flooding: Major flooding expected over a widespread area (including urban locations) Tropical: A Major Hurricane (Cat3 or greater) expected to move towards or near any coastline Fire: Large area of critical conditions for 2 or more days, Warnings for 3 or more days, Long term (months) of severe to extreme drought                            | <ul> <li>A Category 4 hurricane is headed towards the SE LA; major storm surge, flooding and damaging winds anticipated to begin tomorrow</li> <li>Widespread severe storms expected, tornado outbreak probable with long-lived, very widespread and particularly intense storms</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |  |  |

Criteria for the color codes in this briefing is to the left, please provide any feedback to

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